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Gentlemen,

THIS in my judgment uſeful, but diverting it is certainly, to read the Notes, Commentaries, and Emendations of the modern Critics upon the Claſſic Authors. Dr. BENTLY is counted the moſt ſagacious of them all, and gives us the moſt ſurpriſing Corrections. He either finds, or makes ſenſe wherever he comes. I am a great reader of his *Horace* and *Terence*; but I admire him moſt in the latter: for I think he has made him clear in abundance of places where he was quite unintelligible before. If I had the government of the Doctor, I would put him upon publiſhing *Plautus* before he leaves the world; for I ſee by his *Terence*, and ſome fine emendations he has given us there of *Plautus* by the bye, that no man is, perhaps never will be, able to do it ſo well. He has promiſed an edition of the *Greek Teſtament*, and of *Homer*, and other Authors: but there's not half ſo much play for his Critical Genius in any of thoſe books, as in *Plautus*. I wiſh Biſhop H. had publiſhed a *Plautus*, as he did *Terence*; for then BENTLEY would have followed him, for the itch and pleaſure of refuting and routing him.

Dr. BENTLEY, who underſtands an Iambic verſe better than any man living, took it into his head to give us a new edition of *Phædrus* at the end of his *Terence*. There he has made great and ſurpriſing alterations, moſt of them upon conjecture; and ventured boldly to put them all in the text. He has undoubtedly very often made ſenſe, where there was none before. For a proof of what I ſay, I'll write down the ſecond *Prologue* to the Vth Book; which he has alter'd in a moſt extraordinary manner. It will be an entertainment to thoſe that have a taſte for ſuch things. Many will think the Doctor's conjectures probable, who at the ſame time will not perhaps be well pleaſed to ſee them in the Text. I ſhall give the Prologue firſt, as the Doctor has altered it; and then as it ſtood before, ſubjoining the Doctor's *Note* in Engliſh.

POETA LOQUITUR.

Aeſopi nomen ſicubi interpoſuero,
Cui reddidi jampridem quicquid debui,
Auctoritatis eſſe ſcito gratia.
Ut quidam artifices noſtro faciunt ſaeculo:
Qui pretium operibus majus inveniunt novis;
Si marmori adſcripſere Praxitelen, Scopan
Aeri, Myronem argento, tabulae Zeuxidem.
Adeo fucatae *plus vetuſtati favet*
Invidia mordax, quàm bonis praeſentibus.
Sed jam ad fabellam talis exempli feror.

In the editions before Dr. BENTLEY's it was thus:

Qui pretium operibus majus inveniunt, novo
Si marmori adſcripſerunt Praxitelen ſuo,
Trito *Myronem argento*; *Fabulæ* exaudiunt
Adeo fugatæ. Plus *vetuſtis* nam *favet*, &c.

This paſſage, ſays the Critic, is paſt recovery. Several ſcholars have tried to wipe it clean, but not one of them has done any thing to it, that has pleaſed any body, not even himſelf. (That's ſtrange!) But I, upon rolling the ſenſe of the Author in my thoughts, not minding at all the ſtrokes of the letters, have, I think, ſtumbled upon the very truth; whether by chance, or my own ſagacity, I can't ſay. The meaning of the Author being found out, the right words preſented naturally of themſelves. I put them in their places again thus:

Qui pretium, &c. See his reading above.

You ſee here, out of *ſuo*, I have made *Scopan:* out of *Detrito* (for ſo it is in the MSS. not *trito.*) I form *Æri:* out of *Fabulæ exaudiant. Tabulæ Zeuxidem:* out of *Fugatæ vetuſtis nam. Fucatæ vetuſtati. Fucatæ*, becauſe, when they clapped old names to new performances, *fucus emptori factus eſt*, the buyer was impoſed upon. As to what relates to *Scopas*, and thoſe others, who excelled in the works mentioned, you have all that can be ſaid, in JUNIUS's Book, *De Pictura Veterum*. Now then the meaning is eaſy, and very fine; and ſince there's ſo long a ſtring of emendations, one upon the neck of another, 'tis impoſſible they ſhould not be true in a dead language; *non poſſunt in lingua emortua non eſſe veræ.*

I cannot forbear telling the reader, that the Biſhop mentioned above, a moſt erudite and religious man, has written an *Epiſtola Critica* upon BENTLEY's *Notes* to *Phaedrus*. The Biſhop ſeldom allows the Doctor to be in the right: but the paſſion and rage he expreſſes againſt him, for ſhewing, I ſuppoſe, that his *Terence* is good for nothing, is very extraordinary. The Biſhop ſays, that BENTLEY knows nothing but *Trimeters* and *Tetrameters*; that he is an *Ignoramus* in Antiquity, Theology, the Holy Scriptures, and all Science. I have heard indeed folks ſay, that the Doctor was proud, conceited, tyrannical; but never that he was a blockhead. BENTLEY a blockhead! That diſcovery was reſerved for the man that could write a large book againſt Biſhop HOADLY with nothing in it. Πάντα γέλως καὶ πάντα κύνις.

Let what will become of Dr. BENTLEY's *Emendations* of *Phædrus*, I am ſure the Biſhop makes ſad work himſelf. I could eaſily ſhew this in many inſtances; but my Letter being perhaps already too long, I ſhall add but one.

The Biſhop goes out of his way to find fault with an *Emendation* of the Doctor's in *Horace*, *Serm. Lib.* II. 3. where the Poet brings in the Fable of the Frog and Ox. PHÆDRUS has the ſame, *Lib.* I. 24.

Abſentis ranae pullis vituli pede preſſis,
Unus ubi effugit, matri denarrat, ut ingens
Belua cognatos eliſerit. illa rogare
Quantane? num tantum, ſufflans ſe, magna fuiſſet?
Major dimidio. Num tantum? cum magis atque
Se magis inflaret; Non ſi te ruperis, inquit,
Pareris.

Dr. BENTLEY can't bear, *Major dimidio*, and would rather have it, *Major pernimio*. But his Lordſhip ſays, the fault is not there, but in the preceding verſe. Let us ſee how he would have it. I muſt beg the reader to take care he does not ſplit his ſides with laughing, as the frog did with ſwelling. Well, what is it?

——— *Illa rogare*
Quantane? num tantum, ſufflans ſe, magna fuit? tum

Tum then? what then? why, when ſhe knew the young one's thoughts by its ſilence, ſhe ſwelled again with all her might, till ſhe was *major dimidio*; and then asked again, *num tantum?* and ſo on. 'Tis a curious note, and well worth reading. Behold now an admirable verſe: obſerve the rhyme *tantum* and *tum*. Beſides, *rogare quanta fuit, num tantum magna fuit*, is falſe Latin, tho' the learned Biſhop ſays *fuiſſet* is ſo. For ſuch ſtuff as this, his Lordſhip calls upon us to take notice, *quam facili emendatione Horatium ab infami macula liberaverit.*

Another laughing bout, and I have done. His Lordſhip tells us, that ALEXANDER CUNINGHAM (a moſt acute man, and of infinite induſtry, as my Lord ſays; a worſe Critic than himſelf, as I ſay) reads the paſſage in this manner.

Major. dein: *Num tantum?* Major. *cum magis atque.*

'Tis amazing, that learned men can be ſo ſtupid and abſurd. I fear the reader won't believe me. If he doubts, let him get the laſt edition of *Phædrus* by BURNAM, and look page 23 of *Epiſtola Critica de Notis Bentleii in Phædrum.*

From your conſtant reader,
B. T.

To T. B——, Eſq;

SIR,

YOU expreſſed ſome wonder yeſterday, in your diſpute with the Serjeant, that a Gentleman of his humanity and good nature ſhould be ſo violently againſt his neighbour T. S. ſettling his eſtate to charitable uſes, though he has no relation, that he knows of, to whom he is willing it ſhould deſcend. The reaſon of this is to me very plain: he founded his whole diſcourſe upon that ancient and approved maxim of the Law, *Currat Lex*; which may be very well engliſhed in the words I once heard a young Pleader uſe at the bar, *viz.* that his deſire was, *That the Law might flouriſh in all its branches.* What the Serjeant talked, about lands in *mortmain*, you will think not much to the purpoſe, when I aſſure you, that, in the proper ſenſe of the word, there is not a foot of *mortmain* land in the kingdom. The truth of it is, when an eſtate is ſettled to charitable uſes, certain Gentlemen have not ſo much the fingering of it, as they have of other eſtates: the title is generally pretty well ſettled; and the writings, whether Deeds or Indentures, Gifts or Grants, Leaſes or Releaſes, Alienations or Confirmations, &c. or &c. or &c. often lye many years together quiet and undiſturbed in a box: ſo that, whereas ſuch lands were anciently ſaid to be *in mortua manu*, becauſe they were in a hand which did no ſervice, and therefore was no better than a *dead hand* to the Public; they may now be ſaid to be in a *dead hand*, becauſe they are in a hand, which doth not reach out a fee ſo often as may be wiſhed; ——*Nil patrono porrigit*——I know of but one objection more againſt theſe charitable ſettlements of lands, namely, that 'tis a diſcouragement to the manufacture of Parchment. I will give you my thoughts upon this matter.

I remember the Attorney in the Play ſays, he 'hopes 'to ſee the time, when the Writings, which convey an 'eſtate, ſhould be ſufficient to cover the premiſſes, an 'acre of land ſhall have an acre of parchment'; and it muſt be owned, that a pretty good progreſs is already made towards it: but before matters are come quite to that paſs, give me leave to mention ſome inconveniencies, which will then probably ariſe to the Public.

1. If all the lands in Great Britain and Ireland were turned into ſheep-walks, it would not ſupply a ſufficient number of ſkins for the ſervice; but we muſt be obliged to import great quantities of parchment from abroad.

2. If all our lands were thus taken up in feeding ſheep, we could have neither wheat nor barley of our own growth, but muſt be beholden to Foreigners for every bit of bread or pudding we eat, and every drop of ale we drink: whereas now we are able to ſupply other countries with corn, and by the exportation thereof, many a good *moidore, Johannes*, &c is brought into the kingdom, to the great joy of the farmer, and the no ſmall convenience of many an honeſt country Gentleman, who now and then finds ſupplies of this ſort very ſeaſonable, during his abode in this rich and populous City.

3. We could have no beef at all of our own feeding, or ſo little, that the fleſh of an Engliſh ox would be as dear, as that of an ortolan: this might perhaps reſtore it once more to the tables of people of quality, but it would come only in exceedingly ſmall quantities, fit to be ſerved up with green peaſe and cherries at Chriſtmaſs: but for a ſirloin to ſtand ſmoaking upon the ſide-board, it is a ſight we muſt not hope for once in a century.

4. As the common people would be entirely deprived of beef, pudding and ale, all which are thought to be great ſtrengtheners of the body natural: not to mention the diſcontent which might ariſe amongſt the populace, one certain conſequence would be the introducing a general debility into the breed of Engliſhmen. Every body muſt ſee, how detrimental this would be to all the laborious kinds of manufacture: but what effect it might have upon the ſoldiery, if there ſhould ever hereafter be any occaſion for their fighting, I tremble to think.

5. As we ſhould have no land to ſpare for cow paſture, great numbers of his Majeſty's good ſubjects muſt loſe one meal a day, for want of butter to their bread, or cream to their tea in a morning. As for what might be had from ſheep's milk, I am told it has a rankneſs, to which a nice ſtomach would not eaſily be reconciled.

6. We could neither breed nor keep horſes for the cart, the ſaddle, or the coach: this likewiſe would greatly weaken our land-forces, which muſt then conſiſt of nothing but infantry: and every body, who has been in any action, knows, that two legs are not ſo uſeful in battle as four, either to ſtand and fight, or to make a retreat. But I am particularly concerned for ſome ladies of my acquaintance, who, having by long diſuſe loſt the uſe of their legs, will, for want of horſes to draw, and able chairmen to carry them abroad, be reduced to the melancholy neceſſity of being confined at home, to the great diſcontent and uneaſineſs of themſelves and their families.

7. I forbear to mention the great want we ſhall be reduced to of leather, for ſhoes, boots, and other neceſſary uſes, becauſe I would not be tedious. If it be ſaid, the great plenty of ſheep will ſupply the deficiency of other proviſions, and make us amends for the inconveniencies abovementioned; I anſwer, that very plenty will be attended with inconveniencies.

For, 1. Wool will be a much worſe drug, than it is, even though we ſhould extend the Act for burying in woollen, and oblige our Beaux and Belles to wrap themſelves, whilſt alive, in no ſtuff, cloth, &c. but what is made of ſheep's wool only.

2. Mutton will be ſo cheap, that no body of any fa-

ſhion will ever touch a bit of it, though it be counted by ſome learned phyſicians, one of the moſt wholſome kinds of meat this day in uſe in Great Britain.

3. It will be very prejudicial to both our Univerſities: for whereas now many of the ſtudents there live upon two penny commons, without any danger of a ſurfeit, or hindrance to their ſtudies, the caſe will then be quite altered with them: the great plenty of ſheep, which muſt be ſed for the ſake of their skins, will reduce the price to a groat apiece at the moſt: and how fit for ſtudy a young ſcholar will be, when he has ſat down to half a ſheep for his own ſhare, I leave to thoſe, who are wiſer than I am, to determine.

Tower ſtreet, Apr. 13, 1736. I am, &c.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

P. *Daily Poſt-Boy.*
DP. *Daily Poſt.*
DJ. *Daily Journal.*
DA. *Daily Advertiſer.*
LP. *London Daily Poſt.*
G. *Daily Gazetteer.*
SJ. *St. James's Evening Poſt.*
LE. *London Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *Ap.* 8. Mr. Bowie, one of his Majeſty's meſſengers, who lately arrived with the marriage-articles from Gotha, was preſented with a bank bill of 50 l. by order of his highneſs the Prince of Wales. *DA.*

Laſt tueſday the Dukes of Devonſhire, Ancaſter, Bridgewater, Lord Lanſdown and Lord Gower, [and the Earl of Portmore. *DA*] ran each a five-year old horſe at Newmarket for 100 guineas each, which was won by the Duke of Devonſhire's. The Earl of Portmore's paid the forfeit. *DP.*

Dr. Stuart, Dr. Bloxholme, Dr. Hulſe, and Dr. Burton, continue alternately to adviſe the hon. Will. Pulteney, Eſq; about the ſtate of his health, he having a nervous fever. *LP.*

On tueſday 3 young men went into Mr. Sharp's, a brandy-ſhop near Ratcliffe-croſs, where they began to drink heartily; but (being provided with ſmall canes and bird lime at the ends, very ingeniouſly fixed) they dived into the money-till, and by degrees brought up ſeveral pieces, till at laſt they were detected, and committed to priſon. *P.*

Married on tueſday at Gray's-inn chapel, John Lloyd, Eſq; to Mrs. Savage, a Lady of great merit and 15,000 l. fortune. *DP.*

Died yeſterday, of the gout in his ſtomach, at North-end near Walham green, Wyndham Biſhop, of Trowbridge in Wiltſhire, Eſq; worth 2000 l. per ann. *DP.*

A few days ago, a youth aged about 11 or 12, ſervant to a clergyman near Glouceſter, being ſent for a tythe pig, the pig ſqueaking ſo frighten'd the horſe, that he ran away with the boy, whoſe leg hanging in the ſtirrup leather, he was dragged a conſiderable way, and his brains daſhed out. *LP.* —— *This will furniſh* ſome Lawyers *at this time with a good argument againſt* Tythe.

On monday Mrs. Harden that kept a coffee-houſe at Greenwich, was found dead in her bed. *LP.*

Laſt night a young woman threw herſelf into the New river head, in the preſence of ſeveral people, and was drowned. —— Yeſterday a man was found drowned in the ſame river. *DJ. LP.*

FRIDAY, *Ap* 9. We hear, that his Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint the right hon. the Lord Viſc. Gage to be governor of Barbadoes. *DP.*

We hear the right hon. the Earl of Crawford, is appointed one of the gentlemen of the Bedchamber to his royal highneſs the Prince, in the room of the Marquis of Carnarvon, who is appointed maſter of the horſe to his highneſs. *DP.*

'Tis now aſſured, that the Princeſs of Saxe-Gotha is to come to S. James's the ſame day ſhe lands, and that the marriage will certainly be performed that evening. *DA.* —— That only 100 of the nobility, &c. will be admitted into the chapel. *LP.* —— Mr. Handel has engaged ſeveral of the fineſt ſingers in Italy, who are expected next week, in order to perform 8 operas for the entertainment of her highneſs. *DA.*

We hear that his Excellency M. Thom, miniſter from the Court of Saxe-Gotha, will be created a baron of this kingdom, and made one of the gentlemen to his highneſs the Prince, in the room of the Lord Baltimore, appointed Lord Warden of the Stannaries in Cornwall. *DP.* —— A place of 3000 l. per ann. *DJ. G.*

Yeſterday the governors of Chriſt's hoſpital choſe Capt. Room, maſter-porter of the Glouceſter-hall in Blackwell-hall, &c. *P. DA. LP.*

Mr. Iſaac Ware, draftſman to the board of works at Windſor and Greenwich, is appointed their ſecretary, in the room of Nicholas Hawkſmore, Eſq; deceas'd. *LP.* Mr. Arundel Draftſman is appointed Clerk of his Majeſty's Works at Greenwich, in the room of Mr. Ware. *P. Ap.* 12. —— *It is ſuppoſed*, my Brother *means*, Mr. Arundel, draftſman to, &c. *as in the former article.*

Yeſterday Sir John Gonſon opened the quarter ſeſſions for the liberty of the Tower with a very learned and uſeful charge. *LP.*

Laſt week the Aſſizes ended at Taunton, when four perſons receiv'd ſentence of death, three of which were repriev'd. *DA.*

Yeſterday the Directors of the Eaſt-India Company were declar'd, when the new ones were Rob. Adams, Abrah. Adams, Miles Barne, Mich. Impey, Edw. Lovibond, Will. Pomeroy, Joſias Wordſworth, Eſquires; Dr. Coteſworth being the only one of the Houſe Liſt not choſen. *P. DP. DJ. DA. LP.*

Died on thurſday, at Scarborough, Phil. Reynolds, of Carlton, Eſq; —— Yeſterday, in the 18th year of her age, the only daughter of Read Bradbury of Nothouſe in Yorkſhire, Eſq; *P.*

On tueſday Eliz. Atkins was found hang'd in her lodgings in Bennet's-court, Drury-lane: it is ſaid for the love of a *crop ear barber* in that neighbourhood. *LP.* —— On wedneſday a woman was drowned at Millbank, Weſtminſter. *P.* —— In Chelſea water-works. *DJ.* —— Yeſterday Mrs. Lowther, wife of Mr. Lowther an engraver. *DP.* —— Crop ear'd barber *is thought to be the true reading.*

On wedneſday a ſoldier belonging to the firſt regiment of foot guards drank ſo much Geneva near Lincoln's-inn fields, that he expired in a few hours. *DJ.*

SATURDAY, *Ap.* 10. The late Lord Viſc. Irwin's Lady is appointed ſecond Lady of the bed-chamber to the Princeſs Auguſta of Saxe-Gotha. —— The ſecond ſiſter to John Clavering, Eſq; one of the bed-chamber women. —— And the eldeſt daughter of the late Hen Selwyn, Eſq; a maid of honour to her highneſs. *LP.*

The right hon. the Lord Granard is appointed his Majeſty's ambaſſador to the Court of Naples. *P.*

Thurſday being the birth day of King Staniſlaus, who enter'd into his 59th year, his Excellency M. Chavigni, the French miniſter, gave a ſplendid entertainment, &c. *P.*

Yeſterday the Court of Directors of the Eaſt-India Company appointed Sir Will. Billers to be their chairman, and Harry Gough, Eſq; to be their deputy-chairman. *DP.*

Laſt week a gentleman of a very conſiderable eſtate in the county of Cornwall, a barriſter of above 30 years ſtanding, was trapann'd from Exeter to Honiton in the county of Devon; and there, by the contrivance of his younger brother, &c. ſeiz'd by a perſon belonging to a madhouſe in this town, and from thence brought hither in a ſtage-coach, and dragg'd into the ſaid mad-houſe, and there lock'd up, till by the aſſiſtance of ſome gentlemen who travell'd with him in the ſame coach, and before that time entire ſtrangers to him, he was laſt monday brought by Habeas Corpus before the right hon. the Lord Hardwicke, and after an examination of the ſaid fact, diſcharg'd out of cuſtody. *DP.* —— *This* barriſter *was put into a* mad-houſe, *in order to be made* mad.

On friday two gentlemen coming to London in a chariot and four croſs Hounſlow-heath, were robbed by 2 highwaymen, well mounted, of upwards of 60 l. *DJ.*

On monday 9 perſons receiv'd ſentence of death at York caſtle. *DP. LP. G.* —— On tueſday at Worceſter, 3 perſons receiv'd ſentence of death for cutting down turnpikes at Ledbury. *DA. G.*

Died laſt wedneſday in Southwark, Capt. Dane Biſſe, in his 84th year; a great mathematician, and one of the beſt ſailors in the world. *P.* —— On thurſday in Jermyn-ſtreet, of the ſmall pox, Miſs Bridges, daughter of Sir Brook Bridges, Bar. *DA.* —— In Leiceſter-houſe, the Lady Mary Brown. *DP.* —— Yeſterday. *P. DJ.* —— In the Strand, Tho. Reaply, of Berkſhire, Eſq; a gentleman of 1000 l. per ann. *P.* —— Miſs Bridges is not dead. *DA. Ap.* 12.

MONDAY, *Ap.* 12. Yeſterday the right rev. Hen. Egerton, Lord Biſhop of Hereford, preached before their Majeſties, his highneſs the Prince, &c. *DJ. G.* —— And the rev. Dr. Boulton before his highneſs the Duke, &c. *DJ.*

Miſs Schutz has declined being a maid of honour to the Princeſs of Saxe Gotha. *LP.*

Burrington Goldſworthy, Eſq; is appointed Conſul at Leghorn in the room of Brinley Skinner, Eſq; who ſucceeds him as one of the Commiſſioners of the Stamp-office. *LP.*

The right hon. the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty have ſent orders to Sir John Norris to return home with the Britannia, and 7 other of the biggeſt ſhips; and that Admiral Balchen is to command the ſquadron in his ſtead, which is to be reinforc'd by 6 ſhips of between 40 and 60 guns. *P.*

On friday night, at the riſing of the Houſe of Commons, Sir Rob. Walpole's foot ſlipt as he was going down the ſtairs by the Britiſh Coffee-houſe, and he fell ſeveral ſtairs, but ſeveral members being happily near him, catch'd him, and prevented his receiving any hurt. —— Will. Pulteney, Eſq; is relapſed. *DA.* —— Mr. Conundrum *ſays, that a* ſlip, *which is only a* lapſe, *is not ſo dangerous as a* relapſe.

On friday a grave-digger of Stepney-pariſh and a young ſurgeon, were committed to Weſtminſter Gatehouſe, the former for taking the bodies of 3 women and one man out of their coffins, and carrying the latter to the ſaid ſurgeon *DP. DA.* —— For bringing the dead bodies of a man and his wife, and thoſe of 2 other women, to a young gentleman, pupil to a ſurgeon in S. James's pariſh: of which the grave-digger made an ample confeſſion. *LP.*

Married on ſaturday in Dover ſtreet, the right hon. Lewis, Earl of Rockingham, to Miſs Furneſe, an heireſs of 200,000 l. *DP.* —— The ceremony was performed about 8 in the evening by the rev. Mr. Watſon. *DA.* —— Mr. Arnold. *LP.*

Died on monday at Cheeſe-hill, near Wincheſter, Tho. Curtis, Eſq; a gentleman of 3000 l. per ann. *G.* —— On ſunday, at Stony-Stratford in Northamptonſhire, Geo. Robinſon, Eſq; *DP.*

TUESDAY, *Ap.* 13. Laſt thurſday his Majeſty was pleaſed to appoint George Buttler of Sheen, Eſq; to be a captain in the regiment of Horſe-guards blue. —— Yeſterday orders were given for the palace at Hampton-court to be fitted up for the reſidence of the royal family this ſummer. *G.*

We hear that Signior Conti, who is eſteemed the beſt ſinger in Italy, being ſent for by Mr. Handel, is expected here in a few days. *LP.*

We hear that there is a clauſe added to the Bill for laying a duty on ſpirituous liquors, and for licenſing the retailers thereof, to enable ſuch perſons as have exerciſed the buſineſs of diſtillation, or have ſerved, or are now bound, as apprentice to ſuch buſineſs, to exerciſe and follow any other trade or buſineſs, in any city, town, or place, in any part of Great Britain called England. *DJ.*

On friday morning between 6 and 7, Mrs. White of Paddington was robbed near Kenſington by a footpad, of 16 l. ſeveral rings, her head cloaths, &c. as he was making off he called her by her name, and deſired her to return home, for fear of being attacked again. —— And yeſterday morning Mr. Pet. Hough and his daughter, were robb'd at the ſame place, by 2 foot-pads, 1 a ſoldier, of a watch and 2 guineas, carry'd by the daughter for ſafety. *P.*

Married on ſunday, Capt. Collins of Rotherhith, to Miſs Hopſon, of Poplar, a beautiful young gentlewoman with a fortune of 14,000 l. *DP.*

Died on friday in King ſtreet, Weſtminſter, of a mortification, ... Wills, Eſq; worth 30,000 l. *DJ.* —— On ſunday in Pall-mall, Miſs Preſwood, niece to the Dutcheſs dowager of Leeds. *DP. LP. G.* —— Of the ſmall-pox, Miſs Prieſtwode, &c. *DA.*

WEDNESDAY, *Ap.* 14. Yeſterday the learned Dr. Shaw, Phyſician at Scarborough, on account of the ſurpriſing cure performed on general Sutton, had the honour to kiſs the hands of his royal highneſs the Prince, the Duke, and the Princeſſes, as he had before done thoſe of their Majeſties. *DA.*

The ſame Day Sir Edw. Stanley, Bart. took the oaths and his ſeat in the Houſe of Peers, as Earl of Derby. *DJ. DA.*

We hear that Capt. Tenerid Robinſon is to ſucceed Sir George Walton, as Rear admiral of the Blue. *P.* —— Capt. Tancred Robinſon is to ſucceed, &c. *DP.* — Was yeſterday appointed to ſucceed, &c. *DJ. G.*

Yeſterday Mr. Arthur Rawlinſon was appointed High Conſtable for the city and liberty of weſtminſter, for the year enſuing. *DJ. LP.*

They write from Worceſter, that the Perſon, concerned with the Priſoners in that Goal, for pulling down Ledbary turnpike, having threatened to reſcue their Companions; a party of ſoldiers were ordered to attend as a guard againſt any inſults that they might commit. They were ſo exaſperated at the diſappointment they met with, and at their Companions being condemned, that they followed the judges out of town and inſulted them in a moſt ſhameful manner, throwing dirt and ſtones at them; upon which Sir John Forteſcue Aland jumped out of his coach, and ſeized one of them, and his Attendants ſeiz'd two more of them, who are committed to priſon. The proclamation being read the reſt of the mob diſperſed. *LP.*

Married, on thurſday, at the cathedral at Weſtminſter, Sir Anthony Weſtcome, Bart. to Miſs Calmady, an agreeable young lady with 6000 *l.* fortune. *DP.* —— Yeſterday, his Grace the Duke of Chandos to the lady Duvall, widow of Sir Thomas, a lady of 40,000 *l.* fortune. *DP. DA. G.* —— The right hon. the lord Vere Beauclerck, to Mrs. Mary Chambers, a fortune of 45,000 *l. DP.* —— To Miſs Mary. *DJ. DA. G.*

Died on ſunday at Bath, of a conſumption, Sir Tho. Saunders Sebright, Knight of the Shire for Hereford-

ſhire: his eſtate of 4000 *l.* per ann. deſcends to his eldeſt ſon, aged about 13, now Sir Thomas. *DA.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

Gentlemen,

AS the vernal Seaſon of the year is now begun, when (according to the ingenious obſervation of the immortal *Spectator*) the minds of the youthful part of the Creation, are more ſuſceptible of the paſſion of Love than at any other time, you will confer a great obligation on all us *Pretty Fellows*, if you would inſtruct us a little in the modern way of making Love. For ſince the young Ladies ſeem now to expect, that when we attack them, we ſhould uſe a more competent ſhare of ſenſe, than we have of late years been accuſtomed to make uſe of, we find ourſelves very often diſtanced in our addreſſes, partly by an incapacity we naturally lye under of talking intelligibly, and partly by the ſuperior good ſenſe of the Ladies. It would therefore be of great benefit to us, if you would compoſe a proper method of making Love, calculated for our particular uſe, and print it in one of your Papers, that we may have it ready on all occaſions. The favour you did us ſome time ago, in giving us a *Receipt* for compoſing a modern Love Letter, has hitherto been of very little ſervice to us, by reaſon of our inſuperable averſion to thinking. We therefore hope you will take our moſt grievous Caſe into your ſerious conſideration, and gratify our requeſt; whereby you will oblige the worthieſt body of men in the kingdom, but none more than, Gentlemen,

Your old Correſpondent,

And humble ſervant,

POWDER-PASTE PLAISTER-CROWN.

P. S. A ſet of us *Pretty Fellows*, in a ſpecial Chapter aſſembled, have been racking our brains theſe three months, to compoſe a Love Letter from the above-mentioned *Receipt*; in doing of which, we have from time to time conſulted a great many of the moſt eminent and ſpruce amongſt us, and with their aſſiſtance, have, at laſt, determined to fix on the following one. And being deſirous to ſubmit it to your judgment, we have all unanimouſly reſolved, in caſe you think it agreeable to the *Receipt*, to keep ſeveral Copies of it always by us, fairly written on gilt paper, to be ready at hand, to ſend away on a moment's warning to any Lady whatever, let her be of what age, ſtation, or condition ſhe pleaſes. And in order to magnify our own good ſenſe, and diſplay it to the beſt advantage, we have jointly and ſeparately agreed, and have given each other full liberty and licence (under the Roſe) to ſend away ſuch Copies, at all times when neceſſary, as the proper production of each of us ſeparately.

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Moſt divine and adorable Goddeſs,

THE bright beams of your tranſcendant beauty, have burnt up my enflamed heart to a cinder: and your Angelic face, your exquiſite complexion, taper ſhape, brilliant eyes, ivory teeth, and alabaſter neck, in ſhort, your every thing has ſtruck me blind; and I ſhall never eſcape the claws of that long-lived mortal Death, unleſs you'll be moſt gratiouſly pleaſed to caſt an eye of commiſeration and pity on this devoted Slave of yours, who now lies bound in the heavieſt chains that ever your little brother CUPID put on the legs of the moſt whining Lover in his dominions. Nor am I alone captivated by the outward appearance of thoſe perfections that always ſhine about you, like the Sun at his meridian heighth: no, moſt bright Charmer, —— I muſt alſo acknowledge myſelf raviſhed with thoſe inward perfections of mind, which you are endowed with to ſo great a degree, that if any other of your ſex had but the hundredth part of them, ſhe would nevertheleſs excel the whole race of womankind, yourſelf excepted: ſo that was you but ſufficiently known, you would be univerſally gaz'd at and admir'd like a blazing Star. No wonder therefore, that your moſt ſenſible laugh, as witty as it is loud, your agreeable vivacity, gay air, chearful ſprightlineſs, exceſſive good-humour, and ſound judgment in the choice of your *Paraphenalia*, ſhould forcibly attract the hearts of all the men of ſenſe who approach you; as they have done mine to an infinite degree. Be pleaſed therefore to eaſe the raging torture of my impaled heart, and look down from your Imperial ſeat, where, like the Queen of Love, you ſit attended by millions of little ſmiling CUPIDS, and condeſcend to accept of my moſt ardent vows: and let me moſt humbly beſeech your Divinityſhip to aſſure me, whether I muſt live or dye, be happy or miſerable: they both depend on your Imperial nod. Nod therefore in my favour; for even deſpair itſelf is ſcarce ſo tormenting as this ſtate of uncertainty. And in return, the choiceſt of my wiſhes ſhall always wait your ſteps; that no dull cares may e're diſturb your features, nor old age ever wrinkle your face; but that you may be ever young, and ever gay; and that every breathing creature may always adore and worſhip, love, eſteem and reverence you, as much as does

Your moſt devoted and obſequious Slave,

P. P.

The perſon who ſent the *Verſes* publiſhed in our laſt, ſubſcribing himſelf COMMON SENSE, eitheir had not all his ſenſes in perfection, and was deceived himſelf, or elſe deſignedly endeavoured to deceive us. For Mr. POPE, we are aſſured, had not on friday laſt ever ſeen *Paſquin* acted: and if he has ſince read it, we think it very probable, that a perſon of his *uncommon ſenſe* and wit, will not have any curioſity to ſee it acted at all.

To the EAST WIND.

Often 'tis ſaid, and not in jeſt,
Thou'rt neither good for man nor beaſt.
Of thee the husbandman complains,
Thy nipping blaſts, and chilling rains.
With air, infected by thy breath,
The poor aſthmatic draws in death.
Each tainted beau and tender dame,
Agree thy influence to blame.
But ſtill thy merit muſt be own'd,
Which has for numerous faults atton'd.
Thou did'ſt preſent the great NASSAU,
Patron of Liberty and Law.
By thee His BRUNSWIC here arriv'd,
And every loyal heart reviv'd.
And if with favourable gales,
Thou once again wilt fill the ſails,
'Till bright AUGUSTA's waſted o'er,
To meet her FREDERIC on the ſhore;
All the account ſhall balanc'd be,
And no more curſes pay'd to thee.

B. B.

Since our laſt, we have received a *Letter* from PROSODIOPHILUS, and two or three ſhort Copies of *Verſes*, &c.

In our laſt, pag. 2. col. 2. l. 54. *for* plagiary, *read* plagiariſm.

Edinburgh, Ap. 6. The Univerſity here has elected the rev. and learned Mr. Matthew Crawford, Regius Profeſſor of Divinity and Eccleſiaſtical Hiſtory, their Commiſſioner to the General Aſſembly. *LP. G. Ap.* 13

In 14 days no leſs than 9 ſail of veſſels arrived at Dublin, with wheat from France; which is imported ſo cheap from thence, as to amount to a prohibition of it from England. The French have alſo for ſome time paſt underſold us at Lisbon, and other foreign markets. *DJ. Ap.* 10.

Dublin, Ap. 3. The Parliament is prorogued to May 4. *P. DJ. DA. Ap.* 12.

Dublin, Ap. 6. There are ſeveral manufactures of ſail-cloth ſet up in this kingdom, which already excells any made in Holland, or any other part of Europe. *P. LP. Ap.* 13.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *Ap.* 8. —— *Paris, Ap.* 13. N. S. Anthony Flu, labourer, died at Margny near Compiegne, aged 106. *P.*

Several Princes of the Empire have uſed their utmoſt endeavours to prevent the immediate ceſſion of Lorrain to the crown of France; which is given as the chief reaſon, why the peace has not yet been publiſh'd. *LP.*

FRIDAY, *Ap.* 9. —— *Vienna, Mar.* 27. The King of Pruſſia is not very well ſatisfied with the marriage of the Duke of Lorrain and the Archdutcheſs. *DJ.*

The laſt courier from Madrid brings advice, that the Count de Montijo was promoted to be Firſt Preſident of the Indies, the moſt profitable poſt in the gift of the Spaniſh Court. *DA.*

SATURDAY, *Ap.* 10. As the King of France was lately alighting from his coach at Verſailles, a perſon who ſtood in one of the foremoſt ranks of the crowd drew his ſword; and was immediately knock'd down by the guards, diſarm'd, and dragg'd to priſon. But upon a little enquiry it appear'd, that he was a raw country fellow, who ſeeing the guards draw their ſwords, when his Majeſty alighted from his coach, thought he ought to do the ſame, as a mark of reſpect. *DA.*—*This ſhould rather have been tranſlated* raw country Squire.

Rome, Mar. 28. The Parties in the Town turned towards the Place d' Eſpagne, or Spaniſh Place. *DJ.* —*My brother, who tranſlates the Foreign news for the* G. *calls this* Spaniſh Place *more rightly* the Square of Spain.

MONDAY, *Ap.* 12. King Staniſlaus is arriv'd at Angerbourg, where he is to ſtay till the 18th. *DP. DJ. LP.*

Naples, Mar. 9. 'Tis very pleaſant to hear ſome people talk of the variety of manufactures, that are to be ſet up in the kingdom, in ſpite of the genius of this nation, always averſe to ſuch eſtabliſhments. 'Tis equally diverting to hear them talk of erecting a Company to trade to the Levant, the Eaſt-Indies, and America. *G.*

TUESDAY, *Ap.* 13. Our correſpondent at Vienna informs us, that the court of Petersbourg is entirely diſpos'd to enter into all the meaſures which the courts of Verſailles and Vienna ſhall think neceſſary for rendering a mutual good underſtanding among them more ſolid and durable. *DP.*

We hear, that the Spaniards have committed ſome new depredations on the Portugueze ſettlements; ſo that the differences between thoſe two kingdoms ſeem to be at as great a heighth as ever. *LP.*

WEDNESDAY, *Ap.* 14. We hear that news is arrived in Town from Vienna, that the Duke of Lorrain refuſes to yield the immediate poſſeſſion of his Dutchy to the French King; and that his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty is only to keep a number of troops in it, in the ſame manner as the Emperor is to do in Tuſcany. *DA.*

Letters by the mail inform us, that Don Carlos is going to erect a bank at Naples, for the encouragement of trade, and that he will ſubſcribe 500,000 florins as a capital ſtock, to encourage others to become ſubſcribers. *LP.* —— A ſtrange child has been preſented to the French King at Verſailles, aged 7 years, who is 5 foot 2 inches high, and has grown two inches in ſix weeks: it is obſervable, that both his parents are of a ſmall ſtature. *LP.* ——— Above an inch: he is as tall, as luſty, and every way as well made as a man of 23. As he has a beard already, they let his whiskers grow. *DP.* ——— Mr. Conundrum *takes the whole ſtory to be a* whisker.

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